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8.		RE THE STERED NURSING	
9.	DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 2011-698	
12	BETTYE BYRD BEDGOOD, a.k.a. BETTYE LYNN BYRD BEDGOOD, a.k.a.		
13	BETTYE BYRD FRAZIER 18300 Willow Court	ACCUSATION	
14	Citronelle, AL 36522 Registered Nurse License No. 601819		
15	Respondent.	·	
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18	Complainant alleges:		
19	<u>PARTIES</u>		
20	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her		
21	official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of		
22	Consumer Affairs.		
23	2. On or about July 11, 2002, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered Nurse		
24	License Number 601819 to Bettye Byrd Bedgood, also known as Bettye Lynn Byrd Bedgood,		
25	also known as Bettye Byrd Frazier (Respondent). The Registered Nurse License will expire on		
26	October 31, 2011, unless renewed.		
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JURISDICTION

- 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- 4. Section 2750 of the Business and Professions Code (Code) provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.
- 5. Section 2764 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under section 2811, subdivision (b), of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.
- 6. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

STATUTORY PROVISIONS

7. Section 2761 of the Code states:

"The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

- "(a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- "(4) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any other disciplinary action against a health care professional license or certificate by another state or territory of the United States, by any other government agency, or by another California health care professional licensing board. A certified copy of the decision or judgment shall be conclusive evidence of that action."

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COST RECOVERY

8. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Out of State Discipline) (Bus. & Prof. Code §2761, subd. (a)(4))

- 9. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to disciplinary action under Code section 2761, subdivision (a)(4), in that on or about May 22, 2009, in a disciplinary action before the Alabama Board of Nursing (Alabama Board), Case Number 2009-0364, the Alabama Board entered a Consent Order publicly reprimanding Respondent's Alabama registered nurse license, ordering her to pay a fine, and requiring her to provide a copy of the Consent Order to all health care employers, collaborative and covering physicians, and schools of nursing.
- or about November 20, 2007, Respondent was convicted of harassment in Mobile Municipal
 Court in Mobile, Alabama. Respondent was sentenced to 60 days in jail and ordered to pay a fee
 as well as court costs. The harassment conviction resulted from an altercation between
 Respondent and a co-worker at Respondent's place of employment. Respondent admitted that
 she struck her co-worker and that she was terminated as a result of the altercation. Furthermore,
 on Respondent's license renewal application submitted to the Alabama Board in 2000,
 Respondent denied pleading guilty to or being convicted of a misdemeanor or felony in any state,
 territory, or country. However, on or about November 9, 2000, Respondent pled guilty to one
 count of criminal trespass in the Circuit Court of Mobile, Alabama. The Alabama Board
 concluded that Respondent's conduct demonstrated that she engaged in fraud or deceit in
 procuring or attempting to procure her license by misrepresenting or falsifying facts in applying
 for renewal of her license. Furthermore, the Alabama Board concluded that Respondent entered a
 plea of guilt to a charged criminal act involving moral turpitude or gross immorality that would

1	tend to bring reproach upon the nursing profession, as well as an act involving violence. Lastly,		
2	the Alabama Board concluded that Respondent exhibited inappropriate or unprofessional conduct		
3	or behavior in the workplace, which was likely to deceive, defraud, or injure the public in matters		
4.	pertaining to health.		
5	<u>PRAYER</u>		
6	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters alleged in this		
7	Accusation, and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:		
8	1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 601819, issued to Bettye		
9	Byrd Bedgood, Bettye Byrd Bedgood, also known as Bettye Lynn Byrd Bedgood, also known as		
10	Bettye Byrd Frazier;		
11	2. Ordering Bettye Byrd Bedgood, Bettye Byrd Bedgood, also known as Bettye Lynn		
12	Byrd Bedgood, also known as Bettye Byrd Frazier to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the		
13	reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and		
14	Professions Code section 125.3;		
15	3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.		
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18	DATED: Lehruary 10 2011 Stone Ben		
19	LOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., RN Executive Officer		
20	Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs		
21	State of California Complainant		
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